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227 Riverside Drive
New York City
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Mr. K. Srinivasan,
Secretary, The Roerich
Students' International,
Roerich House
Abiramapuram,
Mylapore, Madras,
India.

My dear Mr. Srinivasan:

Certainly! I am very happy to greet you as a brother across the sea and a co-worker in the cause of Peace and Culture under the Banner of Nicholas Roerich. Your letter speaks a language so familiar to my heart that I feel it is exactly what I would have written to you if our position and circumstances had been reversed.

I am greatly honored to be a pioneer in the establishing of such contacts, and will do all I can to find more correspondents for you in America. I do not wish to promise more than I can fulfill, but shall welcome any opportunity to cooperate with you.

I have given your name to Miss Maude Meagher and Miss Carolyn Smiley, 118 Myrtle Street, Boston, Massachusetts, editors of "World Youth", asking them to send you a copy of their publication and suggesting a possibility of your contributing to it. As soon as I obtain the address of the Chicago Journal "World Unity" which you mention, I shall write them requesting a sample copy. There are, of course, other such groups and publications, and I have in mind already a few individuals who would be interested in knowing of your work. Are you planning to issue a periodical publication of any kind?

In response to your short self-introduction, "by the way", I may say that I, too, am interested in journalism, having contributed recently to some newspapers and at present writing articles intended for publication in some magazines. I am doing secretarial work at the Roerich Museum under the direction of Vice President Sina Lichtmann, Director of the Master Institute of United Arts, and am also quite actively following my profession as a musician, having a continuous orchestra engagement as well as record and radio work. It is some years since I studied English Literature in Columbia University, but as to my age I prefer to calculate from the date of my re-birth on March 24, 1934, when I first met Professor Roerich, which makes me young indeed.

I hope that you have retained a copy of the letter which you sent to me, for I feel that it bears historical significance and is a remarkable echo not only of my own thoughts but probably of the thoughts of many kindred souls in other countries. I shall guard it as one of the first sacred strands of a great web which is now being spun to support us during the destruction at the time of Armageddon and carry us into the New Era.

In Spirit with you,

Dudley Fosdick